

SC Annual School Report Card Summary

WEST FLORENCE HIGH

Florence 1

Grades: 9-12 Enrollment: 1,719

Principal: Pamela D. Quick Superintendent: Allie E. Brooks **Board Chair: Porter Stewart**

PERFORMANCE

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YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD AND SILVER AWARD		AYP STATUS	NCLB IMPROVEMENT STATUS
			General Performance	Closing the Gap		
2010	Good	At-Risk	TBD	TBD	Not Met	N/A
2009	Average	Below Average	N/A	N/A	Not Met	N/A
2008	Average	Good	Silver	N/A	Not Met	N/A

ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF HIGH SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
1	19	6	0	0

^{*} Ratings are calculated with data available by 03/24/2011. Schools with Students Like Ours are High Schools with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this school.

HIGH SCHOOL ASSESSMENT PROGRAM(HSAP) EXAM PASSAGE RATE(%): SECOND YEAR STUDENTS

	Our High School		High Schools with Students Like Ours	
	2009	2010	2009	2010
Passed 2 subtests (%)	74.0%	77.3%	79.1%	79.8%
Passed 1 subtest (%)	14.2%	10.7%	11.9%	11.6%
Passed no subtests (%)	11.7%	12.0%	9.0%	8.6%

HSAP PASSAGE RATE (%) BY SPRING 2010							
	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours					
Passage Rate	88.1%	92.2%					

ON-TIME GRADUATION RATE						
	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours				
Number of students	429	432				
Number of Diplomas	316	318				
Rate (%)	73.7%	71.8%				

END OF COURSE TESTS - 2010							
% of students scoring 70 or above on:	Our High School	High Schools with Students Like Ours					
Algebra 1/Math for the Technologies 2	81.7	75.8					
English 1	81.1	72.9					
Physical Science	59.3	64.3					
US History and the Constitution	48.0	52.4					
All Tests	66.9	65.9					

NAEP PERFORMANCE*

* Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels.

READING - GRADE 8 (2009)								
South Carolina		32	44	23] 2			
Nation		26	43	28	2			
% Below Basic % Basic, Proficient, and Advanced								
Below Basic	Basic	Proficient	Advanced					

MATH – GRADE 8 (2009)			
South Carolina	31	39	23	7
Nation	29	39	25	7
	% Below Basic	% Basic, Proficient	, and Advanced	i
■ Below Basic □ B	asic Proficient	■ Advanced		

SCIENCE - GRADE 8 (2005)								
South Carolina		31	39	23	7			
Nation		29	39	25	7			
	%	Below Basic	% Basic, Proficient	, and Advanced				
■ Below Basic □ Basic □ Proficient ■ Advanced								

SC PERFORMANCE GOAL

2010 Goal:

By 2010, SC's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the fastest improving systems in the country.

By 2020 all students will graduate with the knowledge and skills necessary to compete successfully in the global economy, participate in a democratic society and contribute positively as members of families and communities.

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SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	High Schools with Students Like Ours	Median High School
Students (n=1,719)				
Retention rate	5.1%	Up from 4.2%	3.1%	3.7%
Attendance rate	95.0%	No Change	95.6%	95.4%
Eligible for gifted and talented	9.9%	Down from 13.3%	17.9%	12.4%
With disabilities other than speech	13.4%	Up from 13.2%	12.1%	12.8%
Older than usual for grade	9.3%	Up from 8.7%	7.6%	9.1%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	2.6%	Down from 5.7%	0.9%	1.1%
Enrolled in AP/IB programs	12.3%	Down from 16.6%	19.4%	13.1%
Successful on AP/IB exams	50.6%	Up from 47.7%	61.8%	50.4%
Eligible for LIFE Scholarship	31.1%	Down from 35.2%	31.0%	30.4%
Annual dropout rate	2.7%	Up from 1.2%	3.4%	3.1%
Career/technology students in co-curricular organizations	1.0%	Up from 0.7%	2.0%	2.2%
Enrollment in career/technology courses	979	Down from 1079	760	424
Career/technology students attaining technical skills	78.4%	Up from 72.7%	78.2%	78.7%
Teachers (n=99)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	57.6%	Up from 57.0%	61.2%	60.4%
Continuing contract teachers	80.8%	Up from 76.0%	78.2%	76.6%
Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates	5.4%	Up from 5.2%	5.0%	6.5%
Teachers returning from previous year	89.9%	Up from 89.6%	87.4%	86.8%
Teacher attendance rate	95.7%	No Change	95.4%	95.8%
Average teacher salary*	\$48,164	Up 1.0%	\$49,050	\$47,390
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	6.9%	Up from 3.3%	0.8%	2.8%
Professional development days/teacher	16.9 days	Up from 7.1 days	9.9 days	10.0 days
School				
Principal's years at school	9.0	Up from 8.0	4.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	28.6 to 1	Down from 29.5 to 1	28.9 to 1	25.8 to 1
Prime instructional time	90.2%	No Change	89.6%	90.1%
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$6,044	Down 4.3%	\$6,976	\$7,974
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	63.9%	Up from 62.8%	57.8%	55.4%
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	65.5%	Up from 65.2%	61.8%	60.4%
Opportunities in the arts	Excellent	No Change	Excellent	Excellent
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	87.7%	Down from 100.0%	95.3%	96.0%
Character development program	Good	Down from Excellent	Good	Good
% of AYP objectives met * Length of contract = 185+ days.	61.9%	Up from 57.1%	70.6%	69.2%

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	76	292	74
Percent satisfied with learning environment	82.7%	71.5%	79.2%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	78.4%	74.8%	63.9%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	71.1%	83.4%	74.6%

^{*}Only students at the highest high school grade level at this school and their parents were included.

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REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

West Florence High School serves approximately 1700 students in grades 9 through 12. Our faculty and staff concentrate on the processes that spur continuing advancement. It is because of this dedication that our students continue to be successful in all of their endeavors.

This year's academic achievements were outstanding for our students. 52 percent of our student body ended the year with a GPA of 3.0 or better. Our seniors received over five million dollars in scholarships, and 68 percent of the class graduated with honors. Nine of them were given the South Carolina Board of Education Academic Honors Award. 106 students received LIFE scholarships while 18 of these were named Palmetto Fellows. We also had a National Achievement Scholarship Finalist and an appointment to West Point.

Our students also experienced success in athletics. We won region titles in boys' and girls' soccer and in boys' and girls' tennis. We also won the individual state championship in golf. We had six North-South All Stars, and five of our players received athletic scholarships. 36 of our students were named Scholar Athletes by the South Carolina High School League. Our girls' tennis coach received the 4A Coach of the Year Award from the South Carolina Athletic Coaches Association.

West Florence High School is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools. Our goals for the future continue to be to increase student achievement, to prepare students for the technological advances in our society, to reduce the retention rate in all grades, and to assist students with career choices in preparation for the workplace or post-secondary education.

Pamela D. Quick, Principal Sissy Smith, Chairman, School Improvement Council

^{**} Prior year audited financial data available.